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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: Application of Sanshiro TAKESHITA, Kazuhiko YAMAGUCHI, and
Hiroyuki SUGIMOTO
STABLE AREA DETECTION DEVICE OF PLATEN GAP AND
RECORDING APPARATUS
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**
Our Ref. Q80884

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising thirty-four (34) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and fifteen (15) sheets of drawings. **The requisite US Government Filing Fee, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	8 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	1 - 3	=		x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee							\$770.00

TOTAL FEE							\$770.00
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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2003-100638	April 3, 2003
Japan	2003-343646	October 1, 2003

The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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